ICE FLOODS IN THE RIVERS. BREAK-UP IN THE DELAWARE, SUS-

QUEHANNA, AND SCHUYLKILL The River Gorged for an Hour at Port Jervis and a Part of the Village Flooded-Bridges Carried Away on the Schujikili and Susquehanna-Damage in Dutchess.

PORT JERVIS, Feb. 11.—To-day has been one of great excitement on account of the im-pending danger from the breaking up of the ke in the Delaware River. At midnight last night the ice broke at Deposit and started on its downward trip. It was stopped for a short time at Long Eddy, and again at Big Eddy, but finally gave way and went down the stream with a rush. The flood reached Pine Grove, five miles above Luckawaxen, at 10% A. M. The viaduct of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company crosses the river at this point, and much alarm was felt for its safety. The ice backed up for some distance, but could not withstand the constantly increasing pressure behind it, and moved down without damaging the viaduct At 11% it reached Lackawaxen, and contrary to expectation, passed over the dam without doing any damage. It travelled downward with irresistible force at the rate of five miles an hour, and presented a grand spectacle. In the middle of the river it was heaved up twenty feet higher than at the shore, and at times it was forced up as though a ton of

dynamite had been exploded beneath it. When the news reached this village that the food was so near hundreds of villagers flocked to the banks of the river to await its coming, Many house tops were also occupied, and even the mountains were ascended to obtain a better view. The flood with the ice reached the village at 3% P. M., having travelled from Lackawaren, a distance of 23 miles, in 3% hours. The les was torn up as fast as the terrent came, and go gorge occurred above. A stoppage of about ten minutes occurred at bridge No. 2 of the Erie Railway, about two miles west of this place, which was swept away by the former gorge at this village. The immense mass swept quickly by, and the villagers were congratulating themselves that the danger was past, when suddenly the water began to rise, the ice moved slower, and at precisely 4 P. M. it came to a standstill. The ice from above crowded down, and in a few minutes the river was gorged near the same spot as it was in March, 1875, when the same spot as it was in march, 1875, when so much damage was done. At about 5 P. M. the gorge broke and the fee went sweeping down the river. During its short stop the river rose 10 or 15 feet in as many minutes, and King street, next to the river, was flooded, and many of the inhabitants began moving their furniture. Adying man was carried out of one of the houses, the bearers wading knee deep in water before they reached dry land. The fee was piled up about two feet higher than it was during the provious gorge and the suspension bridge was, at one time, in a critical situation. Several houses on the river bank were crushed and hundreds of cellars were flooded. Considerable loc is still running, but the river is falling rapidly to-night. The Neversink, a branch of the belaware, which flows in just below this village, has risen over six feet, and is rising at the rate of a foot an hour. The fee is loose from the shore, but shows no signs of broaking. A later report says that the river is gorged about three miles north of this village, and the water is flooding the flats in the Neversink Valley. Unless the fee passes from the Delaware it will dam up the Neversink until a break occurs below. If this occurs Carpenter's Point will be flooded. Fears of this have caused many of the residents to prepare to flee. At last reports the fee in the Neversink remained firm.

FOUGHERIESEE, Feb. 11.—Reports from along the Hudson show that the fee in Livingston and Stockport creeks has broken up; but all fears of damage to bridges on the Hudson Stockport creeks has broken up; but all fears of damage to bridges on the Hudson show that the fee in the White were carried along by the rushing waters. On one country roads baye been carried away. Trees and lences were cut down by cakes of fee twenty feet square and three feet thick, which were carried along by the rushing waters. On one country roads baye been carried away at Titus's fleet of the dam was carried away at Titus's fleet in the town of the creek are flooded this mornin so much damage was done. At about 5 P. M. the gorge broke and the ice went sweeping

ware, and it is blocked and banked high. It is thought the next tide will break the gorge. Duck Island is submerged.

Milfroid, Pa., Feb. 11.—The terrible flood in the Delaware Bliver has reached here, and unleas a gorke is formed at Bushkill, below here, all danger is over. The amount of damage saused by the carrying away of lumber, boats, &c., will be large. Should a gorge form at Bushkill the surrounding country for miles would be overflowed and the damage from sind would be overflowed and the damage from sind to the depth of nearly litroe feet, and the river makes a sudden jurn. Fears of a great ice gorge are felt here. The peeple are on the lookout for the approaching flood, and every possible means is being laken to prevent ascore from forming. Much damage will be done here in any event.

Readon, Pa., Peb. 11.—At 2 A. M. the Schuylkill was nine feet above low-water mark, but it has gradually fallen since that time, until it is now six feet above, and rapidly running and free of ice. From midnight until 5 A. M. immense quantities of ice passed down the river and several manufacturers were up all night removing their goods. The canal bridge at Port Clinton was carried away at 4 P. M. yesterday. There is an ice gorge at Felix dam six miles above this city. It is thirteen feet high, and holds back an immense quantity of water.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 11.—The water in the Schuykkill at 3 P. M. was rising at the rate of four feet an hour. A that time the River road at the falls of Schuykill was three feet under water. The mills near the river are all flooded and much damage, is approhended.

POTEVILLE, Feb. 11.—The water in the Schuykill haven is submersed. The water came with such a rush that many people were unable to escape, but were obliged to take refuge in upper rooms of their houses until beats were brouved to convey them to places of an early thoughts here. The banks of the river and marry touching the bottom timbers. The steamboat H. B. Wright was broken into fragments to early to bridge a trial both ways Pa Fab 11 - The terrible flood is

out, the roar of the crushing ice being heard a mile from the stream. The bridge at Mileratown has been swept away, carrying with it two spans of the bridge at this place. Families along the river have moved out for safety. The river is still rising.

CHARLESTON S. C., Feb. 11.—Serious damage was done to the Charleston and Savannah Hailwar last night by the freshet in the Savannah Bayer. About two miles of treshe work north of the river was prostrated. This will interput travel between Charleston and Savannah, but a force of 500 hands has been put at work repairing the break. In the mean time through basenizers for Fiorida will be forwarded hence by the steamer St. John's.

LASALLE, III, Feb. 10.—Last night one cortion of the lock Island Raifrond bridge at this place was swept away by the lee and the high water, making it impossible for trains to cross. The place may be resented to be sufficient to the fillinois has risent welve feel, and is gorged at the mouth of the Vermillion River; but the feels not yet broken below Peru. The people living on the flats above here have moved to higher ground. Houses are being submerged. Wellinotes, Ran., Feb. 11.—Fifteen inches of snow have failed since last night, and the snew is drifting. The Kansas City, Lawrence and Southern passenger train has been store continues. A strong gale is blowing and the snew is drifting. The Kansas City, Lawrence and Southern passenger train has been store.

atwork all night. A third one buried itself in a drift at 3 o'clock this morning and was abandoned. The passengers have been removed.

THREATENED WITH A FRESHET. An Jee Gorge in the Raritan that Causes

The Raritan River, which usually flows past New Brunswick in the most peaceful manner, is badly gorged with ice at two points some two miles apart, and it threatens to break up with violence and flood the lower part of the city. Just below the steamboat wharf at New Brunswick is a sharp bend in the river. Yesterday morning at about 5 o'clock, with a crash and a roar, the ice above the bend broke, and a blockade was formed in the bend. The broken cakes of ice piled themselves up from the very bottom of the river, and tumbled over the towpath of the canal alongside. By 6 o'clock the bridge at this point was crowded with sight-

bridge at this point was crowded with sightseers, who had come out of the town to witness
the freshet. By 70 clock the lee for nearly a
mile up the river had come down with a rush
and piled itself up below the steamboat wharf,
leaving the river above periectly clear.

Then the water began to rise rapidly to the
level of this lee dam, and by 10 o'clock in the
morning the wharves along the canal were
under water. The boiler rooms of the New
Jersey Rubbar Shos Company, the Novelty
Works and Janeway & Company's paper mill
along the river were all obliged to stop work.
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The steamboats and other craft which enter the Raritan River during the season of navigation have all been laid up for the whater at other placee, and the river is entirely free from shipping, excepting some twenty empty canal boats. These belong to the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company, and on Thursday night, in anticipation of a breaking up of the ice, they were made fast in a bunch to the wharves of the New Jersey Rubber Shoe Company and of Reineck & Tindel's coal yard. Extra hawsers were used to hold them. With the first movement of the ice the hawsers were snapped, and the twenty canal boats went down with the flood. Near Central Wharf they became wedged in by the canal towpath, and men went to sequire them. But one of the boats broke loose again and went on down to Runyon's ship yard, where it was lasseed and made fast. The nineteen other boats were tumbled about, and they lie now ever where it is supposed the canal towpath will be found after the ice meits away.

The bridge of the Pennsylvania Railroad

canal towpath will be found after the ice melts away.

The bridge of the Pennsylvania Railroad crosses the river about three-quarters of a mile above the lower blockade. Above this bridge the ice still remains firm. About a mile further up the stream is an old covered bridge built on stone abutments. The blockade above the railroad bridge has raised the ice and water until they reach within two or three feet of the bottom timbers of the old bridge, and fears for the safety of the structure are entertained. All day yesterday a man was kept on the railroad bridge looking up the river to catch the first glimpes of the old covered bridge in case it should be swept from its foundations. The highway leading to the bridge is blockaded with the ice.

DEBATE ON THE COERCION BILL. Mr. O'Donnell Protesting Against Being Gagged-Who May Visit Davitt.

LONDON, Feb. 11 .- One hundred and three members of the House of Commons have signed the memorial asking that Davitt be treated only as a misdemeanant while in prison. In the House of Commons to-day Sir William Harcourt, the Home Secretary, said that members of Parliament will not be allowed to visit Mr. Davitt contrary to regulations. One friend

Davit contrary to regulations. One friend will be allowed to visit him, so as to satisfy his friends and relatives in regard to his health, but no communication will be allowed on political affairs.

The London correspondent of the Manchester Guardian says: "Mr. James E. T. Rogers (Advanced Liberal), Member for Southwark, intends to proposes in the House of Commons an amendment to the Coercion bill, exempting Members of Parliament from arrest, except after communication to the House of Commons of the circumstances under which the arrest is sought.

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Mr. Naily, who was charged at Clare-Morris yesterday with threatening and abusing the police, has been dismissed with a caution.

The House of Commons in committee to-day further considered the Coercion bill. Mr. Forster, Chief Secretary for ireland, said the object of the bill was not punishment for, but prevention of outrage and incitement thereto. He said he was willing to limit retrospective action to the 1st of October, 1880.

Several Irish members opposed Mr. Forster's proposal to limit the time of the retrospective clause, as not going far enough.

During the discussion Mr. O'Donnell was called to order geveral times for irrelevancy. The Chairman informed him that, if he continued to speak irrelevantly, the new rule would be enforced against him.

Mr. O'Donnell resumed his seat, protesting against being "gagged."

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Mr. Dwyer Gray moved an amendment that the retrospective action shall not extend beyond Feb. 1. The amendment was negatived by a vote of 218 to 63.

London, Feb. 12.—The Standard says: "Some of the principal members of the Irish Land League will meet in Paris next week. Mr. Parnell's future course will probably be then decided. In not returning to England, Mr. Parnell's future course will probably be then decided. In not returning to England, Mr. Parnell's future course will probably be then decided. In not returning to England, Mr. Parnell's future course will probably be then decided. In not returning to England, Mr. Parnell has been acting on the advice of friends in London. Meanwhile his absence is seriously disorganizing the Home Rule party. Mr. Dillon and other Land Leaguers will start for Paris to-day."

Boston, Feb. 11.—Faneuil Hall was crowded to its utmost cauacity to-night by a meeting to express sympathy with Ireland. Mayor Prince presided. Speeches were delivered by the Mayor, Wendell Phillips, Gen. Butler, the Rev. Dr. Miner, John Boyle O'Reilly, P. A. Collins, President of the Land League, and others. They all spoke expressity in favor of giving moral and financial support to the people of Ireland in their present struggie. A letter was read from Gov. Long expressing sympathy with the cause of the Irish, so long as they seek within constitutional lines and by legitimate methods to secure their political and social welfare. Similar letters were received from the Hon. Josiah G. Abbott, the Hon. Alex. Rice, Charles Levy Woodbury, and others. The resolutions denounce in most unqualified terms the arrest of Mr. Davitt and the recent ejection of Home Buiers from Pariament, and call upon the people of Ireland to hold to their purpose of reform, and allow nothing to drive them to a violence for which they are not prepared.

ICE IN VINEYARD SOUND.

A Schooner Eleven Days in the Ice on Nan-tucket Shoals,

VINEYARD HAVEN, Feb. 10 .- The entire fleet got under way to-day to avoid the heavy harbor ice while it was going out, and will re-

harbor ice while it was going out, and will return before night. The steamer Monohansett made an effortto reach Edgartown, but Capt. Smith reports the heavy ice as extending so far out that he did not deem it prudent to out through it.

The schooner Trade Wind, from Rockland for New York, arrived to-day, and reports having been in the ice on Nantucket Shoals for eleven days. Saw in the ice schooner Eddie Pierce, from Boston for Virginia; also saw this morning a schooner of about 200 tons, with masts gone, and left one unknown schooner in asts gone, and left one unknown schooner in

masts gone, and lett one unshown schooler in the ice.

The schooner Nellie Brett, from New York for St. Andrew's. Defore reported in Edgartown Bay, was carried out with the ice to-day, and has been drifting up and down the Sound during the afternoon. At dark she was near the existent and of Hedge Fence Shoal. The revenue steamer Samuel Dexter has made an ineffectual attempt to reach her. She is in a precarious position.

A POINT GAINED FOR THE SUBSIDY. The Becision of the Chair Against the Amend-ment Overraled by the Senate.

Washington, Feb. 11.-When the Postal Appropriation bill was taken up to-day in the Sonate, the pending question was an appeal Sonate, the bending question was an appeal from the Chair. The Committee on Post Offices and reported an amendment appropriating \$1,000,000, to be expended by the Postmaster. General for additional foreign postal service in American iron vessels. The Chair had decided the amendment out of order, as in violation of the twenty-ninth rule, which prohibits general legislation upon an appropriation bill. From this decision Mr. Maxey had taken an appeal.

The point was claborately discussed, Mesera, Morgan, Garland, Ferry, and Conkling arguing that the amendment was in order, and Messrs. Beck, Wallace, and Whyte supporting the ruling of the Chair. When the vote was taken the decision of the Chair was reversed and the amendment decisied admissible by 29 to 15. Without further action the Senate then adjourned.

Philadelphia Police Bepartment. The Philadelphia Ledge of Dec. 20, 1880, mention, among others, the case of Chief of Police of that Cit Samuel II. Given, Esq, who says he used St Jacobs O in his family for various paintud sincests, with exceller results. He has also heard from many who have need for rhematism, that it alone of all remedies did ther good.—Ads. GEN. COLLEY'S DEFRAT.

INFORMATION FOR THOSE WHO BE-LIEVE IN THE DRAMA'S INFLUENCE.

cenes on the Standard Theatre's Stage While the Temperance Play "Drink" is Being Acted Secues in Neighboring Barrooms Be-tween the Acts-More Drinking than Ever. In order to observe the effect of the moral of "Drink" on the gentlemen who go out be-tween the acts, a reporter attended a porform-ance of the play in the Standard Theatre last evening. The facilities are almost unlimited for those who wish to indulge in the neighborhood of the Standard, as there are six barrooms within a short distance on the same side of the street. In the first act the heroine, Gervaise, enters with her week's washing in a crimson bag. It is a scene in a laundry. The washer-women, in beautiful dresses with banged hair and belowelled fingers, trip gracefully about in French slippers and toy with eight new wash-tubs decorated with shining metal bands. Gerraise comes in to wash in a black dress with brilliant scarlet trimmings and high-heeled Spanish slippers. Then her hated rival enters with her week's washing. She is dressed in black silk with a flowing train. After some timid by play, Gervaise and the hated rival have an alleged fight, in which they pat each other gently with ladies and take down each other's back hair, and the curtain falls. As there was nothing appertaining to drink so far, those who were thirsty wandered next door.

'How does this play affect your trade?" the bartender was asked.

"Well," he said. "very few drink until after the third act, and then they swarm. It's a regular windfall to us. I don't suppose you'll believe it, but you can come in yourself and see what kind of liquor they take."

In the next act Gervaise is discovered, with her blond hair more artistically dressed than ever, walking near a barroom. In a costume of etherial blue, with velvet trimmings, fascinating slippers, and a lace cap, she is taking some washing home. In this scene the "horrible example" is introduced, in the shape of a sot in example" is introduced, in the shape of a sot in the last stage of drunkenness. He is an extremely amusing sot, and he does nothing apparently throughout the evening but drink, amoke, and piay. Several drunkards are cast headlong from the door of the barroom before the curtain falls, but as uproarious laughter follows, the point of the moral is evidently lost. The usual quota arcse after that act and moved gravely toward the door. The majority took beer.

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They always take beer after this act" the barkeeper said in the corner store: "they always took beer after the first act of 'Pinafore.' In the Danites' they take beer right along until the acony in the third act. To sum up, an audience takes beer after it's been laughing, and hard liquor after it's been moved."

Geresise appeared in the next act in pearl and pink. She is married to her lover Coupeau. He immediately drinks deeply in honor of the occasion, being ably seconded by the amusing sot. Several highly sensational scenes and affecting incidents make up the act, and the effect is painfully exciting. The curtain falls on the injured bride, the maudlin husband, and the triumphant sot.

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Fully twice as many men arose after that act. Two doors below the theatre the barroom was crowded. Three young men in dress suits and crush hats entered. Two ordered sherry. The other one said, with an air of nonchalance: "Er. give me some Vichy."

"A horrid example!" his friends remarked sarcastically.

"You don't suppose that play affects me, do you? Make that French brandy, bartender."

"I've seen that same little by-play after this act every night since the play pegan," the bartender said. "You see, they only want something mid, but they reso afraid of being scoffed at that they take heavy liquor."

In the next act Gercaise takes to her husband his dinner pail at noon. He is working on a three-story scaffold. By this time a child is introduced. Gercaise tailwises in pale yellow, with flowing train elaborately trimmed with black veivet. After her husband falls off the scaffold, because he saw at a glance that it would not bear a man's weight, and did not ascend.

Very few gentiemen went out after this act.

act in the background drinking frequently from a bottle of brandy.

The effect of this act on the audience was depressing. More men went out than at any previous interval, and in one barroom only three out of fourteen drinkers took beer. The rest took hard liquor.

"What made me feel weak," one said, "was when noor Gervaise, worn out by her trials, resorted to the very thing which had caused her troubles—Rye."

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sorted to the very thing which had caused her troubles—Rye."
In the next act the sot has by some means become better dressed. He still smokes good elegars and drinks constantly. Geraize fails to get any washing. Her hair is banged lower than ever before, and her drab costume with little knots of color here and there shows how low are the fortunes of the family. After the child has starved to death the husband has delirium tremens and dies in the most frightful agony.

This was the most decreasing scene of the play. The realistic acting the pallid face, the madness, and subsequent death were almost overpowering. For some time after the curtain fell the audience sat in perfect slience. Then nine gentlemen rose at the same instant, and walked toward the door. A moment later the alsies were full.

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It was now noticed that for the first time men took two, and even three drinks, whereas early in the evening one only was taken. Only strong liquor was taken.

Itell you what," a gentleman said, "it was perfectly awful when he had 'em on, wasn't it?"

The proprietor of a neighboring hotel said that the Standard had never produced a play inat threwso much trade into his barroom as "Drink,"

The last act disclosed Gervaise in black and white starving in the streets of Paris. The sot had a new nister and a high hat. The hated rival and her lover were stabbed by a belligerent Colonel, and the demands of outraged humanity were satisfied.

THE BATAVIA SAFE.

Making her Way into Port in Tow of the Steumship Columbia.

Yesterday forence on the following was received at the office of the Cunard Steamship Company in this city from the London office: Steamship Escurial spoke Batavia in tow of Anchor deshier Columbia one hundred miles west of Payal bound there. Propeller lost. All well on 4th at noon.

pool, and is twenty-three days overdue.

At the office of the Anchor line it was said yesterday that the Columbia sailed from London for Beston on Jan. 23, and that there was no doubt that she would tow the Baiavia saiely into Fayal.

There was much rejoining at the office of the Cunard line in this city on the recept of the above telegram. It was sain there that all the vessels of this riline carry propellers, and that it was probable, even if there were not clocking fortitine, that another propeller could be rigged, so as to enable the factavia to reach her destination.

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London, Sed. 11.—The Captain of the British steamer Escirial which arrived at Gravesend tuday, report that he passed the charsel flower becamer Batavia in tow that he passed the Charand flow becamer Batavia in tow the Anchor line steamer Columbia, Capt Young from London Jan. 23 for Boston, on the 4th lint, at noon, 100 miles east by southeast of Fayal. The Batavia he says, and lost her propeller, but all were well on board. pool, and is twenty-three days overdue.

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Retreating Under Cover of Darkness, Leaving All his Wounded on the Field.

LONDON, Feb. 11 .- The detailed accounts of the recent engagement between the forces under Sir G. P. Colley and the Boers, particularly the account sent by a correspondent who was actually present during the conflict, make it plain that Gen. Colley was in reality deeated, and only succeeded in escaping back to the camp under cover of darkness, because the Boers, who had drawn off with the intention of renewing the attack in the morning, believed the river to be not fordable. Gen. Colley was obliged to leave all his wounded on the field. The details of the fight show that the troops The details of the first show that the troops were at a great disadvantage, the Boers, by dint of superior marksmanship, inflicting a loss out of all proportion to that which they received. A despatch from Dunban to the Times says the transport steamer Hankour, with reon-forcements from England, has arrived there. The Pall Mall Gazette this afternoon, says: "A serious attempt should be made to communicate to the Boers the conditions we are presented to great without more hatful and boots.

"A serious attempt should be made to communicate to the Boers the conditions we are prepared to grant, without more hateful and bootless slaughter."

In the House of Commons to-day the Right Hon. Hugh C. Childers, Secretary of State for War, said that, upon the receipt of the news of the engagement between Sir G. P. Colley and the Boers on the Ingogo River, he conferred with the Earl of Kimberley. Colonial Secretary, and the Duke of Cambridge, Commander-in-Chief of the forces, after which he [Mr. Childers telegraphed to Gen. Colley, offering to send him, within ten days, a considerable force of infantry, cavairy, and artillery, and that he is now awaiting a roply.

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Mr. Childers also said that he had received a communication from Sir George B. Colley dated at midnight on Thursday, giving a list of the casualities resulting from the engagement between the British forces and the Boers on the Ingogo River. Telegraphic communication with Gen. Colley was, therefore, then intact. A despatch from Durban in to-day's Times reported that it was cut.

The Standard's Durban, correspondent gives the following description of the fight:

"The enemy were on horseback when first seen, but upon shell taking effect among them at about fifteen hundred yards distance, they rode off, and, having dismounted, under cover behind the hills opened fire. From 12 o'dock until dusk it was a rife duel under cover. Our guns from time to time took part in it, but the enemy's fire was so severe that it was imposelble to work the guns continually, the men falling almost as soon as they stood up, with the sole exception of Lieut. Parsons, who was wounded late in the day.

"Every officer, driver, gunner, and horse in the battery was hit. Soon after the action began the guns were allenced for an hour. Some of the infantry then assisted. One piece was thus kept in action throughout the day, but it was a dangerous duty, and those serving it had continually, the men falling, and for anybody to stand up beside them was certain death. The enemy occasionally creet up to within 200 yards of the position, but never attempted a rush. The greater portion of the fighting was at a distance of six or seven hundred yards.

"The pacties of the Boers are described as admirable. They moved from flank to fisnk, opening fire time after time from unexpected positions. For our men to advance and charge at the point of the bayonet was quite impossible, for they would all have been shet down to our troops."

London, Feb. 12.—A despatch to the Standard from Newcastle, Natal

of rifles, where the Boers were vastly superior to our troops."

LONDON, Feb. 12.—A despatch to the Standard from Newcastle, Natal, says: "The Husars, who were expected to arrive on Wednesday, are still twenty miles distant. There is roason to believe that the Boers are tapping the telegraph wires. The Government telegrams will, therefore, be sent in cipher. There is no doubt now that the Boers of the Orange Free State have joined the hostile movement, and are stopping the cattle supplies. Gen. Colley telegraphs under date of the 11th that the Boers have occupied the late bautefield, and they are reported to be in force in the neighborhood of Newcastle."

BIG PROMISES NOT KEPT.

An Audience that Did Not Walt to Sec All of a Very Costly Performance.

When the performance for the benefit of the Poe monument fund began in Booth's Theatre, yesterday afternoon, the house was about as full as it could hold. A little over \$3,000 had twould not bear a man's weight, and did not accend.

Very few gentiemen went out after this act.

The next act is in a barroom. Coupeau, the erring husband, is foreibly dragged in by the amusing sot and his accomplice, and invelged into drinking eight giasses of brandy in eight escends at his own expense. Naturally he is a little hitarious, and he becomes in the end somewhat unmanageable. Gereais rushes in having been called from her tub by the hated rival, dressed exquisitely in maroon and veiver, with an extremely dangerous pair of elipers, and tries to drag him home. He retailistes by an expessat attempt to brain her with a chair, she makes up her mind to drink also, and the she makes up her mind to drink also, and the she makes up her mind to drink also, and the price. been paid at the box office for tickets at rates day morning the box office was opened. At five minutes past 8 purchasers were informed that only a few of the orchestra chairs—those in the rear—remained unsold. All the choice seats were in the hands of speculators, and the price of these was at once placed at \$5, from which it never dropped. At the door yesterday seats away up in the second gallery were sold at \$4.

The cause of the great demand for seats was the promise of an unusual entertainment. Shades of disappointment were visible in the faces of the people, however, as they read the printed house bills. The following names, which had been consplouous in the newspaper advertisements as of performers who were to appear, were not to be found in the programme at all: McKee Rankin, Charles B. Thorne, Steele Mackaye, F. F. Mackay, Joseph E. Whiting, Harry Edwards, Mrs. McKee Rankin, Geo. C. Boniface, Rose Eytinge, William E. Sheridan, Teresa Carreno, Madam Ponte, and J. H. Stoddart. Some of the most attractive features of the show, as promised, including something by the Madison Square and Union Square companies, were not down in the programme, and out of the sixteen numbers therein contained, only six were dramatic, all the rest consisting of recitations, instrumental music, and singing. Still there remained Salvini in an act of "Bullivan," Clara Morris in the sleep walking seens from "Macbeth," Mrs. Boucicault in part of "The Colieen Bawn," John Gilbert in the screen seens from "The School for Scandal," and Catharine Lewis and John Howson in comic opera. The performance had long dull passages and wearisome intervals, but the first four of the features mentioned were favorably received. Then Mr. Vincent, the stage manager, came out in front of the curtain, and announced a further disappointment. Catharine Lewis and John Howson in comic opera. The performance had long dull passages and wearisome intervals, but the first four of the features mentioned were favorably received. Then Mr. Vincent, the stage manager, came out in front of the curtain, and announced

A MUSIC TEACHER'S SUICIDE.

The body of the man who was found dead on Tuesday in the boarding house at Hamilton and Mulberry streets. Newark, has been identified as that of E. Waiter you Riest. He engaged the room on Friday, a week ago. He had been drinking heavily. The proprietor of the He had been drinking heavily. The proprietor of the house knew the mian only as a music teacher from Brooklyn. A bottle of morphine and another of chloral were found in the room with the body. Friends of Yon Kiest say he belonged to an ancient family of the German mobility, and that one of his uncles is a member of the House of Lords of the terman Diet. His home was in kongsburg. He incurred his lather's displeasure by refusing to devote his lite to service in the Prussian army. He loved music too well to become a soldier. He came to America, and for several years was a well-known music teacher in Brooklyn. About four years ago he received a lorgety of \$6,000 from the estate of an uncle, and purchased with the money a small property at Pushing. He spent much money in besultiving the place, and made it, one of his Friends and to device the body a decent interment, and has been told that he will be paid for the trouble and expense.

A Sieighing Party's Adventure in the Fog. RED BANK, Feb. 11.—As Charles Applegate and Cowles Thompson of this place, with several ladies, were crossing the Shrewshury River in a sieigh last were crossing the Shrewsbury Biver in a singli last incht ther lost their way in the dense for and were in the let reach the opposite share. An attenuit to return failed, the top letting to flick that the village lights could not be discribed. After wandering about the river for several hours the horses stopped and refused to move. One of the party then went shead, and discovered that just in front of them was a large space of open water. The top inted soon after, and a landing was made at Okeanic. One of the ladies fainted, and was carried ashers—conscious.

The Smash-up at Communityaw.

The officers of the Central Railroad of New lersey are trying to ascertain the cause of the accident Jersy are trying to asserts in the cause of the accident at Community and Junction on Thursday evening. They have not yet succeeded. Superintendent Moore promises to make justices and the superintendent Moore promises to make justices again, who far, no negligence his cause and following the even to itself again, when a noire and following the company of the weeked car, was last night not time and was not expected to the until this morning. It is kull was fractured by the stove falling upon him in the overturned car. All the other injured persons are reported to be doing well.

The Best of all Family Medicines.

Casher oil put up in American Star Soft Capsules.—4da.

BILLS THAT FAILED LAST YEAR

PRESSED FORWARD AGAIN. The Ningara Palls International Park-Another Scheme for Moving the Capital-A. Railroad Commission Again Proposed.

ALBANY, Feb. 11 .- In the Senate to-day

Mr. Bixby presented a minority report of the special committee on New York city government. He says that there are too many office-holders and too much public money expended in the government of New York city, although a steady improvement has been going on since 1876. There is no need for a new charter, and any desirable reforms can be best secured by amendment of the present charter. He suggests a change in the system Police Commissioners to two, the Mayor to be ex-officio a member of the Board, the abolition of the Board of Assessors of the Commissioners of Jurors. The Bureau of Permits should be consolidated with the Bureau of Encumbrances, and the licensing of hacks, places of amusement, &c., should be transferred to the Police Department. Several of the bureaus under the Department of Public Works should be consolidated, and street cleaning should be taken away from the Police Department and made a special department. The Park Department should have a single Commissioner. The District Courts might be reduced from ten to seven. The salaries of the Judges of the Supreme, Superior, and Common Pleas Courts should be reduced to \$12,000 a year.

Mr. Winslow, from the Special Committee on Taxes and Assessments, reported favorably the concurrent resolution providing for a special commission of seven persons, to be appointed by the Governor, to revise the laws relative to taxes and assessments, Adopted.

In the Assembly Mr. Low introduced a bill providing for a park at Niagara Falls. The bill conforms substantially with the unsuccessful bill of last year with the exception that a new commission is named. The new Commissioners are William A. Wheeler of Malone, David A. Monroe of Syracuse, Ray V. Pierce of Buffalo, Fred. Law Olmstead of New York, and Augustus Frank of Warsaw.

Mr. Duguid introduced a bill providing for a State Board of Railroad Commissioners. It is an exact copy of the (Hepburn) bill of last year, except that the salary of the Chief Commissioner is increased from \$5,000 to \$8,000, and of the associates from \$5,000 to \$8,000, The amendment is designed to meet the objection that under the bill of last year the best order of talent could not be obtained.

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the State, which, after a brief debate, was adopted.

Mr. Brocks introduced a bill for the better protection of children. It prohibits pool playing by minors for liquor, lays heavy penalties upon those who lead girls into bad courses of life, and provides for the confinement of juvenile convicts in reformatories instead of jails or penitentiaries.

Mr. Catlin of Westchester has introduced a resolution which, after a long preamble describing the new Capitol as an unmitigated failure, propesses the appointment of a Commission to report on the feasibility of the removal of the capital to either New York city or Syracuse, where a new one can be built at loss cost than required to finish the present one,

STRAUSS'S MISSING BEARD.

His Reidentification-What Justice Smith and Warden Finn Say. Charles Strauss, the prisoner who had his seard shaved off in the City Prison on Thurs-

day with the apparent purpose of preventing his identification before Justice Solon B. Smith but who was, nevertheless, identified, was again reported that, to further mystify the witnesses reported that, to further mystify the witnesses on Thursday, he wore a suit of clothes which had been furnished to him in his cell at the time he was shaved. Justice Smith and Warden Finn both say that this part of the story is erroneous. Justice Smith says he remarked to his clork upon the loss of Strauss's beard, but made no official comment on it. Yesterday he took occasion to caution the prison official against a possible reputition of such a case, but he did not hold them blameworthy under the circumstances.

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Warden Finn explains that the City Prison is not a penal institution, but rather a bouse of detention, where suspected persons are kept on commitment by magistrates until they are concerning of the commitment by magistrates until they are concerning to the commitment by magistrates until they are concerning to the commitment by magistrates until they are concerning to the commitment by magistrates until they are concerning to the commitment of the commitment by magistrates until they are con-viced or discharged. Strauss, the Warden says, was shaved by the prison barber, a priv-ilege to which since he was not a convict, he was entitled. He was, of course, not aided by any of the keepers. Had the policeman who hearder Strauss to the prison given notification

Albion W. Tourgee, author of "The Fool's Errand," is at the Everett House. Gov. Henry M. Hoyt of Pennsylvania is at the Westminster. Stanley Matthews of Ohio is at the St. James. Henry A. Tiden of New Lebanon, N. Y., is at the Windsor. Senator H. K. Fruce of Mississippi, ea-Senator J. H. Mitchell of Oregon, and Congressman J. B. Heiford of Colorado, are at the Heiffman Assistant P. simaster General James N. True, John C. New of Indians, Congressmen John H. Starin and Warner Miller of New York, Speaker George R. Sharpe, George C. Gorham of Cabfornia, Senators William Windom of Minnesota, N. P. Hill of Colorado, and P. B. Flomb of Kanasa, Mr. George S. Boutwell of Massachusetts, Leut-Col. Frad, D. Grant, U. S. A.; Green B. Raum, Commissioner of Internal Revenue; Henry W. Ohiver, Jr. Late candidate for Senator From Pennsylvania, Judge Charles Andrews of the New York Court of Appeals, Concressman John S. Newberry of Michigan, Hamilton Harris of Albany, Hate Senator & G. Hishert of Hinghamton, and Judge R. D. Rice of Maine are at the Fifth Avenue. thows of Ohio is at the St. James. Henry A. Tilden o

Washington will be brilliantly illuminated by lectric lights on the night of the 4th of March. Three 5,000 candic-power lights will burn on the Capitol. Ab-other of the same power will burn on the right of the other of the same power will burn on the right of the Treasury building, and have its rays directed up the avenue toward the Capitol by a reflector. Seven lights of 2 Objects and power each will be around the White House. The National Missoum building, where the inauguration basi is to be held, will contain three hights of 2,000 candle power-each. A golden Goddess of Liberty, thirty-five feet high, will stand upon a pedestal amid a praimid of teorical flowers in the middle of the central room of the building. Her right hands will hold a torch, surmounting which will be a light. The two other lights will be reflected against a large gilded star twenty feet in diameter, which will be a superior of the dome of the building. The Arricultural building will also be lighted. The Arricultural building will also be lighted. The Arricultural building will also be lighted the city will furnish the lights, and Wilson A Roake the engines.

In a small carpetiess attie room at 226 Di-

vision street live an old shoemaker named James Rior dan and his wife. They are utterly destinate. He has been out of employment over six months, and the land lord has given him nonce to quit. He owes one month's rent.

PROVIDENCE, Feb. 11.—The Captain of the steamer Thetis, at Storington, reports that the Covine of Lightship has gone from her station. She was seen in a large tee flow mear Plain Island.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN. Mr. John Marshall gives a dramatic recital in Chicker-ing Hali this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mrs. Myrs. Ann. Andrus, mother of Miles B. Andrus of New York, died at Kent, Conn., last week. New York, died at kent, tonn., tast week.

Robert Grant, a tramp, while waiking on the Hudson River Railway, near High Bridge, yesterday, was struck by a train going north, and instantly killed.

A now flag note is being sreeted on the cunols of the city Hall in place of the one blown down in the storm. It will be ready for use on Washington's Brithaley.

Dr. C. R. Estabrook, chief of staff in the Charity Hospital on Harckwell's Island, has resigned, and will on March I quit the post he has held for nearly four years.

Land League meeting Jefferson Club rooms, Ekshiyata and Flind avenue, to merrow evening. Patter Furton, pactured St. Lawrence Charity, will speak the Pallman Patace Car Company's officers here say that the demand for cars to run to Washington of the Lawrence Charite is the begiest they have ever known.

As important change is announced in the rules for the

SOME OLD PROJECTS REVIVED | MR. HOAR'S FEAR OF THE MILITIA.

Danger Descried in the Gathering at Washing WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—Senator Hoar (Rep. Mass.) offered a resolution to-day instructing the Judiciary Committee to consider and report whether the assembling at the seat of Govern-

nent of large bodies of organized and armed troops, not under the command of officers of not likely to prove in future dangerous in pracice, and whether any legislation or opinion by

Congress on the subject be desirable. Mr. Conkling thought the inquiry at this time, after preparations had been made by numerous military organizations to attend the inauguration, was inopportune. He believed that Americans, as a people, needed more holidays, and the day on which the robes and sceptre of the Government passed from the lands of one man into the hands of another was one of the very few accepted national occasions when they found an inducement and an excuse for breaking away from business and enjoying the recreation of a jaunt. The inquiry might be made at some more easonable time within the next four years. Mr. Hoar said his proposition had no special relevancy to the coming inauguration, but was now offered because a precedent for what might be an established practice was about to be made. Mr. Hereford (Dem., W. Va.) said he challenged the correctness of the doctrine of the resolution, which he construed as suggesting the presence of the regular army while forbiding the attendance of the militia. He regarded any such doctrine as dangerous to popular liberty, and one which Congress had not the right to assert. Mr. Conkling thought the inquiry at this time, resolution, which he construed as suggesting the presence of the regular army while forbidding the attendance of the militia. He regarded any such doctrine as dangerous to popular liberty, and one which Congress had not the right to assert.

Mr. Edmunds (Rep., Vt.) briefly replied to Mr. Hereford, and the resolution was laid over.

DEFAULTERS IN CUBA.

Investigations and Imprisonments-How the

HAVANA, Feb. 5.-Imprisonments for supposed rauds in all branches of the public administration continue to be the order of the day, and the Government public treasury will be dealt with its still an open question. It is doubtful whether the Commander-General of Marine has a right to try the defaulters by a court martial, as they are civilians, and doubts are expressed as to whether he had a right to proseque or imprison those of the contractors who merely acted upon orders they received from the heads of departments. So it is likely that all the accused persons will be delivered to the ordinary tribunals here; and then the question is whether they will be treated as mere criminals, in which case the decision here should be final, or whether the culprits will be allowed to appeal to the tribunals in Spain, where at any rate, a long time will elapse before their sentinces are approved or declared null. This last result would destroy all the efforts of the Government to eradicate the plundering system. public treasury will be dealt with is still an open ques

THE LATEST OLD WORLD NEWS.

Legislation to be Proposed by Bismarck. BERLIN, Feb. 11 .- Prince Bismarck has inrmed the Federal Council that immediately after the Council's consideration the most important bills of the session, including bills for the payment of members of the new Economic Council for the creation of an Imperial Ministry of the Interior and for the formation of an Economic Council for the whole empire.

Suffrage Agitation in Italy. ROME, Feb. 11 .- A Convention in favor of uni-

versal suffrage assembled here yesterday. The proceedings were uproarious. Two currents of opinion were manifest among the delegates. The immediate object of the Mazzinians is to establish a Constituent Assembly, in order to proclaim a republic, while the Evolutionists de-mand universal suffage as a means of arriving at the rest. The public here is supremely indifferent to the pro-ceedings.

Madrid, Feb. 11.-A Democratic banquet to mmemorate the proclamation of the republic of 1873 was held this evening. No attempt was made to inter-fere with the banquet until a revolutionary toast was proposed, whereupon a Government commissary re-quested the guests to disperse and two were arrested.

In addition to other arduous and important duties, the State has imposed upon the Executive Com-mittee of the Prison Association the task of annual visits mittee of the Prison Association the task of annual visits to the three State prisons, the six penitentiaries, the sixty-four county jails, and the various lock-ups of this and other cities. The committee is required to make an annual report of the result of its investigations. For this service the members of the committee are not permitted to receive any pay.

The Prison Association feels that it is doing a great public good, and the necessity of keeping up and extending its work has innelled its members to appeal to the public for contributions to its treasury. The President of the association is Prof. Theodore W. Dwight, and the Treasurer Cornellus B. Gold, 10 Pine street. Moneys may be sent to the latter.

Toll Gathering on the Great Kanawha WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.-In the Senate, yesterday. Mr. Conkling offered a resolution, which was adopt day, Mr. Conking offered a resolution, which was slopping de, reciting that appropriations had been made for ten years for the improvement of the Great Kanawha River of West Virginia: that a company calling itself the "Kanawha Blazid," under some pretended authority, not of Congress, assumed to levy and collect toils on the commerce of the river from the town of Charlestown to the mouth of the river and instructing the Commerce Committee to inquire into the case.

Tolls on West-Bound Freight, The Canal Boat Owners' Association adopted last evening the following:

Resolved, That the Canal Boat Owners' Association representing many thousand citizens and millions of capital invested in the canals were upon the Legislature and Canal Board the adoction of the resolution introduced by the Hom. George H. Forster, recommending the abolition of all toils on West-bound treight, thereby increasing the canal facilities and the commerce of the State, by adopting so wise and liberal a policy toward these great commercial water ways.

Fall River Weavers to Strike. FALL RIVER, Feb. 11.—At a general meeting of the United Weavers' Association, held this evening, it was resolved to strike at a certain number of mills, to be

SANTA FE, Feb. 11.—Early on Thursday morn-

ng at the Canada de los Alamosa, thirteen miles from there. Junea Vizil, a Mexican, killed his wife and young daughter by chopping them with an axe, and severely wounded his son, leaving him for dead. Vigit then histograph himself to a ratter in the same room. He was insame from over-indulgance in liquor.

BROOKLYN.

A raccoon was treed by some boys at South Fourth and Ninth streets yesterday and killed. More applications have been made for building pormits in Brooklyn this week than for many months before. The specifications are for a superior class of houses in the outlying wards.

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Fifteen new cases of searlet fever, eight of diphtherin, and five of sinal-pox were reported to the Heath Huard vesterday. Four fatal cases of diphtheria and one of scarlet sever were also reported.

The Brooklyn Heath Commissioner is investigating the case of a scarlet fever patient who, it is alread, was removed from this city to Brooklyn in a hired hack without any permit or subsequent furnigation of the ventels.

Cornelius Johnson, and 2s, of 212 conover street, thought that keresene oil would make the fire born better on Thursday morning, and be tried it. He is no st. Peter's Huspital, suffering from a roasted right arm and a broiled face.

Ex Assemblyman Daniel Bradley is to play the part of

a broiled face.

Ex. Assemblyman Daniel Bradley is to play the part of Father Tion in a performance of "The Colleon Hawn in the Academy, on Thursies evening mext for the bound of the Poor Artists Fund of the Paristic Club of Brooklyn. Mr. Bradley is a tinsmith by seclipation.

WASHINGTON NOTES.

The House took up the private calendar yesterday, and passed about two dozen pension bills. The nomination of Gen. Hartranft as Collector of Customs at Philadelphia was confirmed by the Senate. The House Committee on Appropriations has agreed to report favorably the bill appropriating \$175,000 for a search after the steamer Jeannette. report tavorably the bill appropriating \$175,000 for a search after the steamer Jeanscotte.

The Senate Committee on Territories has agreed to report (averably the bill creating the Territory of Founties, John J. McKihone, for billing the Territory of Founties, John J. McKihone, for billing years one of the official cortes of Compressional reporters, has been appointed the first the total content of the corps of the House of Representatives.

In the House yesterday the roll of States was called to give one member from cach State an opportunity to say consent for the passage of any bill. Note that the second the second to the corps of the large of the properties of the passage of any bill. Note of the passage of any bill. Note of the passage of the second traval under the call were objected to. Three bills were played.

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verarty of the birthday of Mr. Copper.

Lyman Dennison, the founder of the broken Grocers' Hank of this cuty, then the residence of his bruther Charles Dennison at Little Suver attoom yesterday. On the Agrand financial troophes were together the immediate cause of his doubt. He was 80 years of agr.

The Business Meri's Society for the Eucouragement of Moderation has prepared a pleety for chances then too be implicitly a vasit to this city, pledging the signer not to drink as a beverage any intracting luque while he is alsoent from home. The originator of this pledge is Mr. Ferdinand P. Earis.

Martin Darsey, a clerk for Emerson & Co., wholesale ment dealers 2: World West WestManton On Market, has disagreed to requesting Mr. Harve, whenever he shall deen that the characteristic flowers and the control of the same saked immediate consisting of the firm and did not resum. Check in other control of the Same and did not resum. Check in the Carles of the Carles of the Same and the Carles of the Carles

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LIFE IN THE METROPOLIS.

DASHES HERE AND THERE BY THE SUN'S REPORTERS.

A Forced Marriage Annulled-Compelling Young Woman to Marry him Under Threats of Taking her Life-Her Escape,

Judge Donohue yesterday granted a decree nnulling the marriage of Jessie Hunt Risbey and David. H. Risbey. The young woman is 22 years old, and Ris-bey is 28. They have never lived together. The plaining is a daughter of William T. Hunt of Harlem. They were engaged to be married in 1873, but Risbey was soon dismissed by Miss Hunt, because of his dissipation. He was several times forgiven by her, but she at length refused to have anything to do with him. In December, 1878, as it appeared from the testimony, Miss Hunt was at the house of Risbey's parents, giving a music lesson to his sister. Young Risbey entered the room, sent his sister out, and, displaying a razor, told Miss Hunt that he would kill her and himself it she did not go with him to the house of a clergyman and be married. She went with him to the house of the Rev Samuel H. Virgin, in 124th sireet, and the ceremony was performed. The young woman made her escape from Risbey after they left the preacher's house.

The Stil for the anument of the marriage was brought by the father of the young woman as guardian ad litera, she not being of age when the sull was begun. Risbey made no defence. engaged to be married in 1873, but Risbey was soon dis-

A St. Patrick's Parade.

A convention of Irish societies was held inst celebrating St. Patrick's Day. Thirty-three branches of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, the Central Council of the Academy Hall branch of the Land League, the Tweifth Ward branch of the League, and the temperance Tweith Ward branch of the League, and the temperanes societies of 8t James's Roman Catholic Church and of the Church of the Holv Innocents were represented by strong delegations. Thomas Kennehan presided.

It was determined that there should be a short parade, terminating at some public place, such as Madison Square Garden, or Jones's Wood; that a public meeting should be held, and addressed by distinguished speakers, and that an entrance fee should be charged, the proceeds going to Ireland to assist in the good work of Charles Stewart Parnell and his associates toward the redemption of the tillers of Irish soil from the overpowering burden of landlordism. A committee of fitteen was appointed to select a place for the meeting, and report to the Convention on Friday evening.

Reservoirs Filling Up.

Chief Engineer John C. Campbell of the Croton Aqueduct said yesterday that twenty-six inches of water were running over the Croton dam yesterday morning. On Thursday morning the water was twenty-three inches below the dam level. The squeduct is now running soven feet our inches (its full capacity), and bringing into the city four inches dis full capacity), and bringing into the city 150.005,005,005 allons of water daily, and the Central Park reservoir is saidly filling up. Mr. Campbell yesterday hat the reservoir is saidly filling up. Mr. Campbell yesterday hat the reservoir and the saidly filling up. Mr. Campbell yesterday set of the reservoir and Kirk Lake a cased, that sayl's Corners, Brew ster's, and Kirk Lake a cased, that the reservoir and the boostie of this rise in the stream which may receive the boostie of this rise in the stream which may be because the searcity of water in the Cruton River reservoirs. Mr. Campbell expects to get all the water that will be required in the next two months through the aqueduct. The reservoirs and lakes will probably be filled by the middle of the spring.

Mr. Sheffold's Surprise. Thomas Sheffield, a blacksmith, at 133 Con-

some one stole his gold watch last Christmas, and that some one stole his gold watch last Christmas, and that on Tuesday last his best cost, pantaloons, and vest were stolen from a room in the house. Mr. Sheffield wanted Detective Ennis to hant up the burglar. On the same day Ennis arrested Sheffield's son Edward, and a companion named Barney Duffy. The two young men were found to belong to a cang suspected of committing many petry there in William shough. Young Sheffield, was continued to the word of the up to the up to Jan. 30 and steeling saws, hammers, planes, and other tools. Justice Kiehl held them yesterday to answer.

Mrs. Macer's Fall. Alice E. Macer, in getting off of a Third ave-

the railroad company for damages. Her counsel upon the trial yesterday, in the Superior Court, said that Mrs. Macer's hesband was so affected by the injury to his wife that he lost his reason, and frenzy killed his daughter. Mrs. Macer testified that after the conductor had stopped the car be pushed her off by the shoulder, again starting the car before she had alighted, causing her to fall with great violence. The conductor testified that he tried to stop her getting off until the car had stopped. The jury gave plainuf \$5,000.

Mme. Geistinger Robbed.

Gustave Amberg, manager of the Thalla Theatre, reported to Inspector Murray, at Police Headquarters, last evening, a sneak robbery by which Mme. Marie Geistinger, the German actress, lost a trunk con-taining \$1.500 worth of street clothing and stage costumes. The trunk was stolen from the hallway of Mme. Gelstinger's hoarding house at 320 East Righteenth street. The Unieves opened the front door with false keys, and walked off with the trunks. They had no wagon. Policeman McBrido aw them in Twentieth Street, and questioned them about their horsen, but they answered him plausibly and he did not stop them.

A suit by Lillian Lancaster against Theodore toss for damages for alleged breach of contract was on trial yesterday in the Court of Common Pleas, before Judge J. F. Daiv. Miss Lancaster testified that she was engaged in Loudon by Mr. Moss-s secont to purform 10 ten months at \$40 a week in the play "Grim Goblin" if the United States and Canada. After she had performed five and one-half works, Mr. George Conquest, whom she was to support in the play, died, and her engagement terminated. The jury gave plaintiff a verdict for \$632.

Sullivan's Lucky Fall. Michnel Sullivan, an elderly laboring man of 71 Mulherry street, fell yesterday from the sixth story to the cellar of the new building, 55 Broadway, and was uninjured beyond a few bruises in his back.

Signal Office Prediction.

Cloudy, rains weather, easterly winds, veey-ing to seothwesterly, stationary or higher temperature, lower baroineter.

LOSSES BY FIRE Office of Anton Sondheim, insurance agent, 39 Nassail street. Damage, \$100. Standard Tinware Company, first floor 51 Cliff street. Damage, stock, \$1,000; building \$1,500.

The Windsor Salming Company's cution mill at Oid-ham, England has been destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated 5: £40,000 SPARKS FROM THE TELEGRAPH.

Seven thousand minerware out on strike in South Vork-hire, England.

The death is announced of Jacques Edouard Gatteaux, the distinguished French sculptor and medallist, in his old year tenden County, Ark, yesterday for the murder of another perceivant spring.

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